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SUBJECT: ACCREDITATION OF PRC AMBASSADOR TO THE EC

**REF EC BRUSSELS 4430** 

1. AN EC COMMISSION SOURCE INFORMED US THAT THE PRC HAS FORMALLY REQUESTED ACCREDITATION OF LI LIEN-PI, THE CHINESE AMBASSADOR IN BELGIUM, AS ITS FIRST AMBASSADOR TO THE EC. THE REQUEST WAS MADE ABOUT 10 DAYS AGO, AND DESPITE THE COMMISSION'S HOPES TO KEEP THE SUBJECT CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL THE ACCREDITATION PROCEDURE IS COMPLETED, THE LOCAL PRESS HAS ALREADY GOTTEN HOLD OF THE STORY AND IT HAS BEEN WIDELY REPORTED.

2. OUR SOURCE FURTHER NOTED THAT THE ACCREDITATION PROCEDURE, WHICH CALLS FOR APPROVAL OF AGREMENT BY BOTH THE COMMISSION AND THE COUNCIL, WILL TAKE ABOUT THREE MORE WEEKS TO COMPLETE. THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COMMISSION HAS ALREADY GIVEN ITS APPROVAL; THE COUNCIL WILL MOST

LIKELY APPROVE BY WRITTEN PROCEDURE, WHICH DOES NOT REQUIRE FORMAL DISCUSSION IN COUNCIL. OUR SOURCE THOUGHT IT UNLIKELY THAT THE NEW PRC AMBASSADOR WOULD PRESENT HIS CREDENTIALS TO COMMISSION PRESIDENT ORTOLI BEFORE SEPTEMBER.

3. ON THE QUESTION OF THE EC-PRC TRADE AGREEMENT, OUR SOURCE COMMENTED THAT PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH OFFICIALS OF THE CHINESE EMBASSY IN BRUSSELS ARE UNDER WAY; AT THIS POINT THEY CONSIST PRIMARILY OF CLARIFICATIONS REQUESTED BY THE CHINESE CONCERNING TERMINOLOGY IN THE MODEL BILATERAL TRADE AGREEMENT TRANSMITTED TO THE CHINESE BY THE COMMISSION EARLIER THIS YEAR. MYERSON

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